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In response to the Office action of September 23, 2003, applicants request entry of the following amendment.

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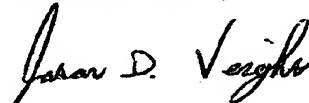
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hydrocyanic acid. Said shift of equilibrium results in the fact that the characteristic compound VII of the obtained reaction mixture can be found in a proportion of 20-30%. Therefore, the present invention is novel and nonobvious.

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